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**SMALL ENTITY FORM**

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For: **METHOD AND ADJUSTABLE APPARATUS FOR  
MASONRY WALL BRACING**

VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37  
CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c)) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I/we hereby declare that I/we am

☒ the owner of the small business concern identified below:

☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the  
concern identified below:

NAME OF CONCERN: JAKERSTIN BRACING, INC.

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I/we hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a  
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1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35,  
United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those  
of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the  
number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal  
year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary  
basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates  
of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power  
to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I/we hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and  
remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention,  
entitled:

**METHOD AND ADJUSTABLE APPARATUS  
FOR MASONRY WALL BRACING**

described in

☒ the specification filed herewith

☐ application serial no.

filed

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Moreover, I declare by my signature hereto that I/we are a small entity concern as herein defined.

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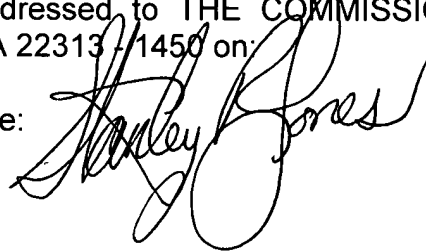
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UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor	HOODSON, EDWIN R.	
Title	METHOD AND ADJUSTABLE APPARATUS FOR MASONRY WALL BRACING	
Atty Docket Number	SRT/HOODSON 1	

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

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